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Dr A. G Engelmann

Dr Sir

Your communication of the 4th ult. in due time, and in answer would say What I most want is something suitable for preserving insects (i e) small Vials which I can cork tight, and large-mouthed bottles, with corks, in which to preserve fish Reptiles and the small=er species of Mamals such as are to be preserved entires as mice Gophers &c. The small Vials should also have broad mouths in order that insects may be put in with out crowding.

If you please you may send me 2 Gall. Alchahol

1 small bottle Ether

As to the arsenic, I do not know whether time will permit me to make

Many collections which are to be
preserved with it. Still I may use some
you may act at your pleasure in Studying
it. If you will procure and
send me a good Knife and a pair
of sharp-pointed, Strongbladed
Scissors I will pay you for them
and be under obligations to you also,
for I can get neither, which are good
for any thing here.

I am in hopes that I shall be
able to contribute more largely to
the Institution this year than I
did do last.

I had the pleasure of meeting Dr.
F. V. Hayden on his downward
trip from whom I recd many
suggestions in relation to collecting
& preserving Specimens &c.

Hoping to hear from you soon
I remain, Sir, with much Esteem,
Your Obt. Servt.

Chas. D. Watson

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